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GREECE IN QUANDARY.

THREATENED BY TEUTONS AND
BLOCKED BY ALLIES.

Must Show Hand in Near Future or
War Will be Transferred to Her
Territory, Where Allies Have Re-
treated.

Athens, Dec. 14.—Germany has
asked Greece if the new facilities
granted the Allies will compromise
Greek neutrality.

WILL INVADE GREECE.

Germans and Bulgars Will Pursue
Fleeing Allies.

London, Dec. 14.—The Teutons and
Bulgars have served notice on Greece
that they intend to pursue the Anglo-
French army to the sea unless the
Allies are disarmed by Greece, ac-
cording to Rome dispatches today.
Germany and Bulgaria disavow re-
sponsibility for any damage done in
the fighting on Greek soil. The Al-
lies have been pushed back across the
border and Greece must now show
her hand.

ALLIES BLOCKADE GREECE.

Greek Government Will Demand Ex-
planation by Allies.

Athens, Dec. 14.—A commercial
blockade of Greece has again been
established by the Allies. The gov-
ernment will demand an explanation in
view of the concessions granted the
Allies' troops.

Montenegrin Army Defeated.

Berlin, Dec. 14.—The Montenegrin
forces opposing the Austrians have
been forced to retreat southwest of
Plevlje, according to the war office.
Twenty-five hundred Montenegrins
were captured.

French Forces Cut Off.

Sofia, Dec. 14.—The war office an-
nounced today that the French forces
on the Vardar front have been com-
pletely routed and cut off from their
English Allies.

COAST DEFENSE PROGRAM.

Plans Call for an Appropriation of
\$100,000,000 to Pay for Big Guns.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The new pro-
gram for coast defense completed by
the war department calls for the ex-
penditure of one hundred million with-
in the next four or five years. Its
chief features are provisions for six-
teen-inch guns on all new fortifica-
tions, an ammunition reserve of as
many rounds as each gun will stand,
a supply of huge 16-inch semi-mobile
howitzers, designed to be the great-
est artillery arm of modern times,
a supply of eleven-inch howitzers for
use as mobile artillery, one hundred
anti-air craft guns, the immediate
mounting of the entire reserve of 12-
inch guns to guard the coast until
the 16-inchers can be built, and new
fortifications for New York and Cape
Henry. The program was laid before
the house appropriations commit-
tee which will frame the bill.

CARSON LEE CAPTURED.

One of Men Concerned in Riot at
Olanza Arrested in Brookland.

Florence, Dec. 13.—Carson Lee, one
of the Lees concerned in the recent
riot in Olanza which resulted in the
death of Sam Lee and the wounding
of Oley Lee and two policemen, Ham
and McElveen, was arrested a few
days ago on a warrant from the
sheriff at Brookland. He was brought
back to this county and gave bond
for his appearance at the sessions
court to answer to the charge of riot.
Oley Lee, who was thought to have
been fatally wounded, is doing very
well and will, without something un-
expected develops, recover. All who
know the family hope that he will
be spared, because he is particularly
highly regarded by every one.

DOG TRIALS START.

Annual Run of Virginia-Carolina As-
sociation Begins—Officers Elected.

Spartanburg, Dec. 13.—The annual
run of the Virginia-Carolina Field
Trials association began here today
with more than 600 dogs entered. The
run will be concluded Wednesday.

At the business session tonight
Leigh Buckner of Roanoke was elected
president. Other officers included
R. H. Knox, of this city, second
vice president.

Republican Convention in June.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Re-
publican national convention will be
held on June 7th, probably in Chi-
cago.

SOCIALISTS ARE DISSATISFIED.

AMSTERDAM DISPATCH STATES
INTERNAL DISSENSIONS IN
GERMANY ARISE FROM
LACK OF FOOD AND
MONEY.

German War Secretary Reports His
Country in Better Financial Condi-
tion Than England or France—
Wants Two Billion More—French
Withdraw in Balkans—Bulgars
Have not Entered Grecian Terri-
tory in Pursuit of Allies—Berlin Re-
ports Loss of Allies' Aeroplanes.

Amsterdam, Dec. 15.—The internal
situation in Germany is causing the
Berlin government grave anxiety, ac-
cording to advices received here.
Scarcity of food and money are the
chief sources of concern. The social-
ists are becoming bolder and food
riots are increasing. It is now ex-
tremely difficult for travelers to get in
or out of Germany.

BATTLE ON GREEK SOIL.

Bulgars Pursue Allies and Battle Ex-
pected on Neutral Territory—Allies
Lay Waste Country in Their Wake.

London, Dec. 15.—Although the
Bulgarian war office reports that the
pursuit of the Anglo-French forces
has halted at the border, it is persist-
ently reported that Bulgarians have
crossed the border and attacked the
Allies on Greek soil. According to ad-
vices a big area of Greek territory has
been devastated, the Allies destroying
everything as they fall back. Indica-
tions are that the next big battle will
be in Greece between Saloniki and
Gievveli.

WANTS TWO BILLION APPROPRI-
ATION.

German War Secretary Says That
Teuton Financial Situation is Better
Than that of Enemies.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—The finance com-
mittee today asked the Reichstag for
two and a-half billion dollars supple-
mentary to the war funds. The war
secretary declared Germany's finan-
cial position more sound than that of
England or France.

Germans Destroy Aeroplanes.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—The official state-
ment reports the destruction of four of
the enemy aeroplanes and a success-
ful attack on a British steamer by
German airmen. In the Balkans, the
Austrians are driving back the Monte-
negrins.

French Make Successful Retreat.

Paris, Dec. 15 (Official).—After re-
pulsing all attacks of the Bulgarians,
the French army in the orient success-
fully accomplished its withdrawal
with all supplies. A sharp cannon-
ading on the Gallipoli peninsula in-
flicted serious damage within the
Turkish lines.

Have Not Entered on Greek Soil.

Athens, Dec. 15 (Official).—Bulgar-
ian troops have not entered Greece
and its neutrality is unviolated.

HYDE CHOSEN MAYOR.

No Opposition Develops in General
Election in the City by the Sea.

Charleston, Dec. 14.—Maj. Tristram
T. Hyde, Democratic nominee for
mayor of Charleston, was elected
without opposition in the general
election held in Charleston today. In
accordance with law all of the dis-
pensaries were closed. No opposi-
tion developed to any one of the 24
members of council nominated in the
primary. Early returns indicate that
a light vote was cast. The municipal
registration total is only about 2,700.
Maj. Hyde will assume his new of-
fice early next week for a term of
four years. He succeeds John P.
Grace, who has served one term and
who was defeated in the primary
held in October.

"It is a great congress and I am
glad to say that I will go out of office
in a blaze of glory," said Mayor Grace
yesterday. The mayor has been tak-
ing part in all of the sessions of the
Commercial congress and has given
all assistance possible from an official
and personal standpoint.

Republican Committee Assignments.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The organ-
ization of the house was completed to-
day when the Republican members of
committees were elected in accord-
ance with the slate submitted by Mi-
nority Leader Mann. Few Republi-
cans who returned after an absence
of two years were restored to their old
places on important committees, but
Uncle Joe Cannon went back to the
committee on appropriations upon
which he formerly served.

AUSTRIA'S REPLY IS RECEIVED

NOT CONSIDERED SATISFACTORY
BY STATE OFFICIALS OF
UNITED STATES.

Makes Demands on United States for
Source of Information as to Sinking
of Ancona and Displeased Because
More Faith is Placed in Passengers
Than in Austrian Navy—Allies in
Greece Wait Arrival of Reinforce-
ments by Way of Saloniki and
Italians Land in Albania to Begin
Campaign.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The sum-
mary of Austria's reply to the Ancona
note has been received.

The complete text of the Austrian
note is expected tonight or tomorrow.
It is admitted that the reply is unsatis-
factory. Austria asks for further de-
tails and the United States is called
on to explain in detail the charges
that the Austrian commander did not
act in a humane manner.

Austria asks for the names of per-
sons upon whose testimony the United
States based its note. It expresses
deep regret over the loss of American
lives, but maintains, it is understood,
that sufficient time was given for all
persons to leave the Ancona. The
note intimates that Austria is not
pleased with the fact that the United
States seems to place more confidence
in the reports of passengers than in
the Imperial Austrian navy.

The United States will give the in-
formation demanded in the note, but
those in the confidence of the presi-
dent state that he is determined not
to let the issue drag or become cloud-
ed by dicker over points which are
relatively unimportant.

HOPE TO PREVENT BREACH.

Austria, However, Makes Arrange-
ments to Turn Her Affairs in United
States Over to South American
Country.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—It is reported in
authoritative circles that Austria has
already made arrangements to turn
her affairs in Washington over to a
South American government. It is
believed here that situation is critical,
but it is still hoped that no breach
will occur.

ALLIES AWAIT REINFORCEMENTS

Pursuit by Teutonic Allies Given up—
Italian Forces in Albania.

London, Dec. 16.—The retreat of the
French and English troops from Ser-
bia has ended on account of the
strength of the Teutons. It is believed
that the Allies will be kept on the
defensive until reinforcements can be
landed at Saloniki. Reports today
state that the landing of Italians in
Albania has been completed and Italy
will at once begin a campaign there.
The appointment of Gen. Haig to com-
mand the English forces in France
was received with enthusiasm. It is
believed to be the first step in a great
shake-up which Lord Kitchener has
planned.

TURKS CAPTURE POSITIONS.

Constantinople, Dec. 16 (Official).—
Fortified positions on the outskirts of
Kutlamara were taken by storm
Monday. We sank a hostile moni-
tor. Artillery duels, bomb and aerial
fighting are taking place in the Dar-
danelles.

MCCORMICK COUNTY WINS.

Abbeville, Greenwood and Edgefield
Will Contribute Territory.

Greenwood, Dec. 14.—By a vote of
approximately four to one, McCormick
won its new county fight at to-
day's election.

The name of the new county will be
McCormick county.
The new county embraces portions
of Abbeville, Greenwood and Edge-
field counties.

Advocates of the new county were
successful in a previous election, but
the election was declared illegal
when brought before the Supreme
Court on account of technicalities in-
volved. The governor ordered a sec-
ond election and McCormick county
is born again.

TRIBUNE PLANT DESTROYED.

Damage Estimated at \$15,000 With
Partial Insurance.

Cordele, Ga., Dec. 15.—The Trib-
une plant was burned this morning,
causing a loss of \$15,000. The plant
was partially insured. The origin of
the fire is unknown. The paper ex-
pects to resume publication within a
couple of months.

France Recognizes Carranza.

Paris, Dec. 15.—France decided to-
day to recognize Carranza.

LIQUOR SALESMAN INDICTED.

ALLEGED BRIBE MONEY EX-
HIBITED IN BEAUFORT.

R. O. Jones of Savannah Charged
With Soliciting Business and Giv-
ing Rebates.

Beaufort, Dec. 12.—Fifty-six dollars
of alleged bribe money was exhibited
in the circuit court today by the fore-
man of the county grand jury. It is
alleged by Pat Wall, member of the
county dispensary board, that it was
paid him by R. O. Jones, a liquor
salesman, of Savannah, Ga. Mr. Wall
went before the grand jury and told of
the circumstances of this alleged pay-
ment in exchange for his influence in
securing liquor purchases from Mey-
er, Pitts & Co. of Baltimore, a firm
represented by Jones.

The grand jury handed out an in-
dictment covering two counts, one for
soliciting business from a dispensary
official and the other for giving re-
bates to him.

A bench warrant was ordered by
Presiding Judge Mendel L. Smith and
Acting Solicitor Proctor Bonham is
preparing a requisition by which it is
expected Gov. Manning can secure the
appearance of the accused at the next
term of the circuit court.

It is alleged that there have been
several efforts made in the last few
years to corrupt the local dispensary
officials, and after consultation with
State and county officials Mr. Wall set
to work to secure a conviction. He
was accompanied before the grand jury
by State Senator Neils Christen-
sen, who, it is said, has been kept ap-
prised of the moves of the liquor men
and the steps taken by the members
of the county dispensary board.

Judge Smith made a forceful charge
to the grand jury when court con-
vened this morning and remarked
that where it is manifest a grand juror
or jurors is not doing the duty re-
quired by law he would not hesitate
to exercise his power to remove one or
all of them.

It is probable that the back tax
cases which caused such political agi-
tation last fall will not be reached, as
the court is in session for only three
days.

WANTS DISTRICT ATTORNEY IM- PEACHED.

Says That Federal Official Prosecuted
Innocent Parties and Refused to
Prosecute Guilty Ones.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Representa-
tive Buchanan of Illinois has demand-
ed the impeachment of United States
District Attorney Marshall of New
York who has been investigating the
German bomb plots, on the charges
that Marshall has persecuted inno-
cent men and corruptly refused to
prosecute guilty parties. Buchanan
is a former president of the labor
peace council which has been under
investigation. The matter was re-
ferred to the judiciary committee.

KILLING AT PELION.

Coroner's Jury Holds Prisoner Just-
ified in Taking Life of Dead Man.

Lexington, Dec. 13.—Pat Love was
shot and instantly killed by Scott
Hutto about 9 o'clock Saturday night
near Pelion, 16 miles from the coun-
ty seat. Hutto used a double barrel
shotgun, emptying both charges into
the body of Love.

The coroner's jury, after the in-
quest, rendered a verdict to the ef-
fect that Love had come to his death
at the hands of Hutto and that Hutto
was justified in taking Love's life.
The coroner commented on the find-
ing as a most unusual verdict.

The tragedy occurred at a negro
house on the plantation of Hutto
within 300 yards of his own dwell-
ing. Love had been making his home
on the plantation during the recent
few months. Three negroes, residents
of the house where the white man
lived, were eye witnesses to the
tragedy.

DISCUSS POTASH AND DYES.

Secretary Lansing and Chairman
Lever Confer on Important Matter.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Measures to
obtain release of dyestuffs and potash
supplies for shipment from Germany
to America were discussed today by
Secretary of State Lansing and Chair-
man Lever, of the house committee
on agriculture. A statement issued at
the State department earlier in the
day said the failure to move dyestuffs
was due to the German embargo on
their shipment and not to Great Brit-
ain, which had agreed that two car-
goes might come forward. Germany
has refused to lift the embargo until
England makes shipping concessions.

THE NEXT BAPTIST MEETING.

TALKS OF EDUCATION MARK FI-
LAN DAY OF SESSION.

General Reports are Received and
Discussed—Officers of Various Bap-
tist Colleges Speak in Behalf of
Their Institutions.

Greenville, Dec. 13.—Selection of
Newberry as the 1916 convention city
of the Baptists of South Carolina and
discussion of the general subject on
education marked today in the State
convention here.

A large number of delegates were
present this morning at 9 o'clock for
the beginning of the third day of the
sessions of the convention. Ad-
dresses in behalf of Coker College
were made by Dr. E. V. Baldy and
J. J. Lawton, for Anderson college
by President J. P. Kinard and Dr.
J. E. White, for the Greenville Wom-
an's college by President D. M.
Ramsay and D. C. Durham of the
board of trustees.

Authority was granted this board
to bond the property for \$125,000
for improvements made on the col-
lege equipment.

Mrs. J. D. Chapman, Mrs. M. N.
Tillman, Mrs. W. T. Derieux and Mrs.
C. E. Watson, the representatives of
the Woman's Missionary society, were
received. This is an auxiliary body
to the convention and contributed
\$40,000 for missions last year.

The following new pastors were in-
troduced: H. A. Bagby, A. T. Allen,
J. E. White, J. A. Langley, E. S.
Alderman, Jr., and B. H. Dement.
President W. S. Currell of the Uni-
versity of South Carolina was pre-
sented and addressed the delegates
briefly on the Laymen's Missionary
conference in Columbia next Febru-
ary.

The devotional exercises for this
morning were conducted by Dr. B. H.
Dement.

The report on ministerial educa-
tion was read by W. E. Thayer and
the group of 45 ministerial students
was presented. It was voted to ap-
propriate \$6,000 for this object.

President E. M. Poteat presented
the report on Furman university and
Dr. Z. T. Cody detailed the plan for
the summer campaign for students.
The financial statement was made by
B. E. Geer. The student body of
Coker college numbers about 300.

An automobile ride to the Furman
campus and about the city was pro-
vided for the delegates after the af-
ternoon session.

At the evening session Dr. C. C.
Brown reported for the Mutual Bene-
fit association and new members were
received.

The report on time and place for
next meeting was made by Chairman
H. A. Willis. It was decided to meet
next year at Newberry on the even-
ing of December 11, 1916, and that
the convention sermon would be
preached by the Rev. J. I. Allen of
Dillon with the Rev. J. H. Mitchell
of Landrum as alternate.

The statistical report shows 1,125
churches, 10,000 Baptists last year,
over 150,000 members, 1,000 Sunday
schools with 8,000 teachers and 100,-
000 pupils. The value of church
property is placed at \$2,625,582.

The report of the educational com-
mission was made by the Rev. L. J.
Bristow and an address on this work
was made by the secretary, the Rev.
Chas. A. Jones.

The business of the convention to-
morrow will deal with social service
and charitable institutions.

LOWER COURT SUSTAINED.

Verdict for Damages Against Sea-
board Stands.

Washington, Dec. 13.—In an opin-
ion written by Justice Hughes the Su-
preme Court of the United States to-
day sustained the Supreme Court of
South Carolina in refusing to set aside
a verdict in a lower State court award-
ing \$22,000 damages to the wife, son
and daughter of J. T. Koennecke, a
switchman who was run over and
killed while at work in the yards of
the Seaboard Air Line at Cayce, Lex-
ington county. The verdict for dam-
ages, therefore, stands against the
Seaboard.

AN ELECTRIC CANNON.

Great Gun to Hurl Shells Without
Powder.

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—An electri-
cal gun by which huge shells can be
fired without the use of powder is be-
ing perfected by the Electric Gun
Company here. Officials of the com-
pany stated that in recent experi-
ments a three hundred pound shell
was hurled ten miles. The biggest
guns can be fired as rapidly as ma-
chine guns.

FORD PARTY SPLITS.

SOME MEMBERS REFUSE TO SIGN
RESOLUTIONS CONDEMNING
WILSON'S DEFENCE
PLANS.

Wireless Sent Monarchs—Ford En-
treats Rulers to Declare Truce and
Consider Peace Through Mediation.

On Board the Steamship Oscar II,
by Wireless, via Steamship Noordan,
December 13.—A resolution condemn-
ing President Wilson's peace policy
brought a split in the ranks of the
prominent members of Henry
Ford's peace party when it was pre-
sented for adoption. The resolution
was drawn up by the Rev.
Jenkin L. and the Rev. Charles
F. Aked, others, who asked that it
be adopted by all the members of the
party on their platform.

More than a dozen members, in-
cluding S. S. McClure, of New York,
and Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of Denver,
refused to sign on the ground that
the resolution was unpatriotic. Some
of them even threatened to leave the
party after it reached Europe if the
proposed platform was put through.
Its supporters said the opponents of
the resolution failed to understand
the spirit of Mr. Ford's invitation.

An appeal to the rulers of Europe
was sent out by wireless today and
addressed individually to each reign-
ing monarch, reading:

"Sir: We come in this time of trou-
ble, not to add to your burdens, but
to help lift them; not to consider
which nations are most to blame for
the disaster that has befallen Europe,
but to end the strife; not to intrude
ourselves upon your national life and
national ideas, but rather with an
earnest desire to understand them and
a heartfelt wish to aid in realizing
them.

"The love of country for which every
day tens of thousands of lives are
sacrificed is the same in every land.
Your nation, like the people of all
the other belligerent countries, is fight-
ing for its national existence and its
best national traditions, and so there
can be no irreconcilable differences.
Such common ideals surely must at-
ford a basis upon which to establish
a magnanimous and honorable peace.

"The time has come to stop the
bloodshed, to save the people from
further slaughter and the civilization
of the world from anarchy and ruin.
Has not war been tried enough in
sixteen months of fighting? Is it not
proven that war cannot solve the
problem, but that it leads only to loss
and misery? Must lives be crushed
and wives and mothers bereaved be-
fore we recognize that Europe is
bleeding to death and that the grievous
wound must be stanching?

"We neutrals are about to join in a
conference which shall without delay
frame and submit simultaneously to
you and all the other belligerent na-
tions proposals as a basis for discus-
sion leading to the final settlement.
Therefore, we do earnestly entreat you
and the rulers of all the other warn-
ing nations to declare an immediate
truce. Let the armies stand still
where they are. Then let negotia-
tions proceed so that the soldiers may
be delivered from another bitter win-
ter in the trenches and sent back to
their labors and their firesides. As
there is no other way to end the war
except by mediation and discussion,
why waste one more precious human
life? For the sake of humanity,
"Henry Ford."

APPLAUS FOR MANNING.

South Carolina Governor Given Ora-
tion in Introducing Chief Executive
of Virginia.

Charleston, Dec. 13.—"If there is
one thing in the world that is dear
to my heart it's law enforcement,"
Gov. Manning was given an ovation
tonight when he uttered these words
introducing Gov. Stuart of Virginia
who addressed the Southern Com-
mercial congress on the commercial
side to agriculture. Gov. Manning in-
troduced Gov. Stuart as the chief
executive of a State where they do
their duty and where the law is su-
preme. Gov. Stuart in his address to
the congress scored the extravagant
profits that are being made by the
agents of the producers. He declar-
ed that the farmers of the nation
must now be taught how to sell their
products.

BYRNES WANTS INVESTIGATION.

Would Inquire into Activities of Wo-
man Suffrage Union.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Investigation
of lobby activities of the Congress-
ional Union for Woman Suffrage was de-
manded by Congressman Byrnes of
South Carolina in the house today.